



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re

U.S. application of: Takeshi MORIKAWA

For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
CAPABLE OF IMAGE FORMATION IN A
PLURALITY OF MODES

Prior Application:

Serial No.: 08/941,459

Filing Date: September 30, 1997

Group Art Unit: 2722

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**REQUEST FOR FILING CONTINUED PROSECUTION
APPLICATION (CPA) PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)**

This is a request for filing a Continuation
Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), (continued

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prosecution application(CPA)), of Application Serial No. 08/941,459, filed on September 30, 1997, by Takeshi MORIKAWA, entitled IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF IMAGE FORMATION IN A PLURALITY OF MODES.

1. The above-identified prior Application Serial No. 08/941,459, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

2. Please use the file jacket and contents of the prior Application Serial No. 08/941,459, including the specification, drawings and declaration of the prior Application Serial No. 08/941,459, to constitute the new application.

3. Claims 4-6, 13-16, and 23-30 are presented for examination in this application.

4. Please enter the Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116, previously filed, but not entered, on November 19, 1999, as a Preliminary Amendment.

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior Application Serial No. 08/941,459, as amended in the Preliminary Amendment submitted herein:

			Fee for small entity			Fee for other than small entity	
Fee	No. filed	No. extra	Rate	Fee	OK	Rate	Fee
Basic fee				\$380	OR		\$760
Total claims	15-20=	0	X \$9=	\$0	OR	X \$18=	\$-0-
Independent claims	4 -3=	1	X \$39=	\$0	OR	X \$78=	\$78
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5. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$838.00 in payment of the filing fee. In the event the check is not acceptable, is insufficient or is omitted, please charge the required fee to our Deposit Account No. 18-1260. If the amount is in excess, please credit Deposit Account No. 18-1260. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

6. A Petition for Extension of Time was submitted (with the Amendment submitted on November 19, 1999 in the prior application Serial No. 08/941,459) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) requesting a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the response period to December 3, 1999.

7. Enclosed herewith is (a) a Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time, thereby extending the response period to January 3, 2000, and (b) a check for the difference in the first and second month of \$270.00 for the extension fee under 27 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

8. Any additional fees required for the proper filing of this continued prosecution application (other than the issue fee), including any additional extension fees necessary under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, should be withdrawn from Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

9. The prior Application Serial No. 08/941,459 filed on September 30, 1997, is assigned of record by Takeshi MORIKAWA to MINOLTA CO., LTD. as recorded on Reel 8756, Frames 0751-0753.

10. The Power of Attorney in the prior Application Serial No. 08/941,459 was filed by Takeshi MORIKAWA and was to certain attorneys of Sidley & Austin. A Change of Correspondence Address in the prior Application Serial No. 08/941,459 was filed on August 16, 1998. Please submit all correspondence to the following Dallas address.

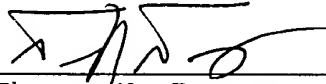
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